

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

B. Michael Hodge, Esq. RHI Holdings, Inc. c/o The Fairchild Corporation Suite 400 54025 Aviation Drive Dulles, Virginia 20166-7516

Re: Request for Information Pursuant to CERCLA, 42 U.S.C.
Section 9601 et seq., for the Berry's Creek Study Area,
Bergen County, New Jersey.

Dear Mr. Hodge:

In October and November 2002, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. §§ 9601, et seq., sent your company, and others, letters requesting information with respect to the release or threat of release of hazardous substances, pollutants, and contaminants into the environment within the Berry's Creek Study Area. Our records indicate that you received the Information Request, requested an extension to reply, but that your response was never received by EPA. Your response is now overdue. For your convenience, we are enclosing a copy of the original Information Request that you received

As was noted in the earlier transmittal, response to this Request for Information is required by law. Please note that Section 104 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. Section 9604, authorizes EPA to pursue penalties for failure to comply with or to respond adequately to the Request for Information.

We request that you answer all questions in the original Information Request accurately and fully and return the completed response to EPA within 30 (thirty) calendar days of your receipt of this letter. The "Certification of Answers to Request for Information," should be signed and notarized and accompany the response to EPA. Your response should be mailed to:

Douglas Tomchuk Remedial Project Manager USEPA - Region 2 290 Broadway, 19th Floor New York, NY 10007-1866

with a copy to:

Clay Monroe Assistant Regional Counsel USEPA - Region 2 290 Broadway, 17th Floor New York, NY 10007-1866

If you have any questions regarding this Request for Information, or would like to discuss this matter with EPA, please call Mr. Tomchuk at (212) 637-3956. Inquiries from attorneys should be directed to Clay Monroe, Assistant Regional Counsel, at (212) 637-3142.

Sincerely yours,

Ray Basso, Strategic Integration Manager Emergency and Remedial Response Division

Enclosure